

March 30, 2011

**BOWLING GREEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
DISTRICT FACILITIES PLAN HEARING REPORT\***

A public hearing was held at the Bowling Green Independent Board of Education, Joel C. Brown Administration Building, 1211 Center Street, Bowling Green, Kentucky on Wednesday, March 30, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. (local time). The purpose of the public hearing was to propose a new District Facility Plan developed by the Bowling Green Independent School District Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted 16 - 0 in favor of the proposed new plan and the Board voted 4 - 0, Order # 14292, to approve the new plan.

There were 12 (twelve) individual(s) in attendance. Mike McCloud, Business Manager served as the locally-appointed hearing officer. Craig Widener, Jeff Herron, Jon Lawson, Sheila Brookins, Allison Ray, Steve Hunter, Will King, Todd Otto, Hamp Moore, Susan Tweedy, Lee Jordan, Cheri Smith were present.

**COMMENTS**

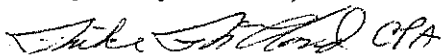
Mike McCloud called the public hearing to order. The hearing officer outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 1:001. It was explained that those persons wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted. All considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report. The hearing officer read the proposed new District Facility Plan which includes; see attached Plan.

The floor was opened to those who wished to make a statement. Margaret Blair proposed a state of the art performing arts facility for Bowling Green High School. Estimated cost was approximately \$3,000,000.00. Currently the high school choir and performing arts are spending \$8,300.00 a year in renting other facilities for performances. Patrick O'Rourke stated that the band room at the high school is currently being used for strings practice and requested a dedicated room at the high school for his students to practice and rehearse stings.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the new District Facility Plan developed by the Bowling Green Independent School District Local Planning Committee and adopted by the Bowling Green Independent School Board of Education be approved as the District Facility Plan for the Bowling Green Independent School District. A copy of the new plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



Mike McCloud, Business Manager

cc: Tim Lucas, Manager  
Public Hearing Agenda  
Planning File

Attachments: Bowling Green Independent School District Facility Plan

\*This document is presented to KDE as submitted by the district-appointed hearing officer.